

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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RE: MUR 5666

Mitchell J. Wade

Dear Mr. Tobin:

This is in response to your letter dated July 27, 2005, which we received that day, requesting an extension of until September 6, 2005, to respond to the complaint in the above-noted matter.

Considering the Federal Election Commission's responsibilities to act expeditiously in the conduct of investigations, the Office of General Counsel cannot grant your full request, but can only agree to an extension until September 2, 2005. Accordingly, the response is due by close of business on September 2, 2005.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Jeff S. Jordan

Supervisory Attorney

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